

## SHORT BIOGRAPHIES OF THE WINNERS OF THE Az W PHOTO AWARD 2012 HANDS-ON URBANISM. THE RIGHT TO GREEN

## **HELEN MONSCHEIN**

Born in Graz in 1982, she has lived in Vienna since 2001. She studied communication sciences and completed an MBA in project management while also working full time. At a very early stage she discovered a passion for photography that has grown continuously in recent years. The camera with which the wining photograph was taken was a Sony Alpha 55.

## **MARKUS SEPPERER**

Born in Spital/Drau in 1978. Sepperer studied classical music with a special focus on contemporary music and free improvisation in Vienna, Salzburg, Leipzig, and London. He completed a three-year training course in artistic photography at fotoK Wien. In 2010 he won a prize in the Epson Art Photo Awards, and in 2011 was awarded a culture promotion prize by the federal state of Carinthia. He has taken part in the following exhibitions: "verschichtet global#x3", Monat der Fotografie, Vienna; "Migong", Monat der Fotografie, Vienna; "verschichtet-global#x2" Galerie Artbits, Vienna; "Crossing Borders" – Multimedial Collaboration with Hong Kong New Music Ensemble, Macau and Hong Kong; "Bildetage goes Belgrade" Austrian artists presented by Bildetage Wien in Belgrade; "Epson Award winner exhibition", Art Cologne.